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**Bent Wood and Metal Furniture: The Twentieth Century
A Symposium at The Cleveland Museum of Art on Saturday, October 1, 1988**

A day-long symposium on Saturday, October 1, 1988, considers the subject of the exhibition **Bent Wood and Metal Furniture: 1850-1946** through the 1980s. The symposium is sponsored by The Cleveland Museum of Art/Case Western Reserve University Joint Program in Art History and is supported by a grant from The Morris and Maxeen Stone Philanthropic Foundation.

The sessions begin at 10:00 am, with welcome and introductory remarks by Jenifer Neils, chairperson, Art History, CWRU, and Henry Hawley, Chief Curator of Later Western Art at the Museum. Derek Ostergard, guest curator of the exhibition and editor of and contributor to its catalogue, titles his opening lecture "Full Circle: Biedermeier Design and Bent Wood Furniture, 1899-1914." Christopher Wilk, assistant keeper, Department of Furniture & Woodwork, Victoria & Albert Museum, London, and also a contributor to the **Bent Wood** catalogue, will discuss "Architects and Furniture Design: The Modernist Revolution, 1917-1936."

Two afternoon sessions feature Marianne Lamonaca Loggia, a candidate for the Master of Arts in the history of the decorative arts at Parsons School of Design/Cooper-Hewitt Museum, on "The Furniture of Carlo Mollino," and Nina Stritzler, assistant curator, The American Craft Museum, New York, who concludes the symposium with "Bending the Boundaries of Tradition: The Evolution of Contemporary Furniture, 1960-1988."

Reservations for the symposium will be accepted in the order received. Tickets for the symposium and a catered lunch are \$25 per person, \$20 for

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Museum members, and free (exclusive of lunch) for full-time students.

Reservations must be received no later than Wednesday, September 28, and tickets may be picked up beginning at 9:00 am on Saturday, October 1, when registration for the symposium opens. Coffee will be served from 9:30 to 10:00 am.

For more information, please call 421-7340, ext. 415.

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